GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:236
ANSWERED ON:08.08.2000
CASTE KILLINGS
M.V.CHANDRASHEKHARA MURTHY;SHYAMA SINGH

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the cases of caste killings are rapidly increasing in the country;

(b) if so, whether the Union Government have chalked out any strategy to deal with the situation in consultations with the concerned State Governments;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of assistance provided to such States to deal with the situation during the last three years?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYA SAGAR RAO)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO STARRED QUESTION NO. 236 FOR ANSWER IN LOK SABHA ON 8TH AU 2000 REGARDING CASTE KILLINGS.

(a) As per available information, there is some increase during the current year in the number of persons killed in caste violence.

(b)&(c) `Public Order` and `Police` are state subjects as per the constitution of India and the State Governments are primarily concerned with the maintenance of law and order in their respective areas. The Central Government reviews the situation from time to time in consultation with the State Governments.

(d) The Central Governments shares available intelligence inputs with the concerned State Governments to enable them to take appropriate action. Central Government also provides assistance to the State Governments in the form of deployment of Para Military Forces, to the extent possible; funds for modernisation of State Police forces with a view to equip them to deal with law and order problems more effectively as well as by way of assistance for raising India Reserve Battalions. During the last three years an amount of Rs. 179.50 crores has been provided to various States/Uts under the scheme for modernisation of State Police Forces.